

Formation of Southern Zonal Power Grid.

*Q.—1211. **Sri S. RUDRAPPA** (Kalgo).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

whether it is a fact that the Government have agreed to the formation of Southern Zonal Power Grid ?

A.—**Sri B. D. JATTI** (Minister for Finance) [on behalf of **Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA** (Chief Minister)].—

Yes. For the constitution of an Advisory Regional Board to the mutual benefit of the States concerned without affecting their individual interest.

Sri S. RUDRAPPA.—May I know what are the advantages that the State Government would get by joining the Grid ?

†**Sri B. D. JATTI**.—I can mention briefly the advantages. One is, owing to diversity of load demands, an intergrated system requires less generating capacity than that required by individual system. Second: An integrated system requires less stand-by capacity than two or more systems operating independently. Thirdly, a generation station including thermal power can be located in the most economical State in the region as a whole. Fourthly, a generating unit can be larger in capacity involving no reduction in unit capacity. Next, a thermal station can be used more effectively in conjunction with the hydro-electric plants. Lastly, an intergrated system requires less capital and can be more favourably financed than two or more independent systems.

Sri G. V. GOWDA.—May I know whether the Government has agreed to this ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—The State Government has agreed regarding the links.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—Is it the idea that the power that is generated in the Southern States will all be pooled together and the Grid will have the power and the authority to distribute among the various States taking into consideration the national needs ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—The Regional Board shall be advisory. Their advice is sought when there are difficulties.

Sri GANJI VEERAPPA.—What are the financial implications for the formation of the Grid so far as the the Mysore State is concerned ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—So far as the Mysore State is concerned, before the end of the Third Plan, only three links will be completed and that money which is to be spent will be within the plan ceiling.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—For supply of power to irrigation pump sets and other purposes, will the same rate prevail in Mysore or the rates that are prevailing in Kerala will be applied here ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—That question was not before the Zonal Council and no decision has been taken.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—Is it a fact that the Southern Zonal Power Grid is to be managed by a statutory body and not by the State Governments?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—I have already replied. There will be an Advisory Board. It is called the Regional Board and the Chairmen of different State Boards will be the members of the Regional Board and one of the members will be the Member-Secretary and the Chairman will be from one of the States and this will begin in an alphabetical order. Andhra may come first. Then Kerala.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಹುಚ್ಚಮಾಸ್ತಿ ಗೌಡ.—ಈ ಗ್ರಿಡ್‌ಗೆ ಸೇರತಕ್ಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ಪ್ರಕ್ತಿ ಉತ್ಪಾದನೆಯನ್ನು ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧನ ಸಂಪತ್ತುಗಳು ಕೆಲವು ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಇಲ್ಲವೆಂದರೆ, ಎಲ್ಲ ಉತ್ಪಾದನೆ ಮಾಡಲಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯವೋ ಆ ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳಿಗೆ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಹಣವನ್ನು ಒದಗಿಸತಕ್ಕ ಸಂಭವ ವಿದ್ಯಮಾನವೇ ಸತ್ಯವೇ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—From the beginning of the Fourth Five-Year Plan, the necessary money for this system will be provided for by the Government of India. It has been assured by the Home Minister of the Government of India.

Sri GANJI VEERAPPA.—So far as tariff rates are concerned, may I know whether the result would be to have a uniform rate in all the States that come under the Grid or each State will be independent to have a tariff rate?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Regarding tariff rates, no question was raised in the Zonal Council meeting. So, that question will not be replied to.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Unless we just agree to a uniform rate, will it not work as a hardship.....

Sri B. D. JATTI.—It is a matter for future consideration.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—When the State Government has agreed to this principal, is it not a pre-requisite to safeguard the interests of consumers in the State as against the tariff rates prevailing in other States?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—It was never discussed in the Zonal Council meeting. Regarding the rates, I think it will be left to the respective State Governments.

Wholesale agent or agents for the sale of Mysore Sandal Soap in the State and in other States.

*Q.—1217. **Sri K. H. RANGANATH (Mudigere).**—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of the existing wholesale agent or agents for the sale of Mysore Sandal Soap in the State and in other states;

(b) when the wholesale agency or agencies for the sale of the Mysore Sandal Soap in the Mysore State and in other States was given and for how many years;

(c) whether the existing periods for the said agency or agencies has expired;

(d) if so, whether the agency is renewed for the same agent or agents and when it was renewed?